

BBIHC MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY, October 11th, 2025, 9:30 am, (unapproved)

Pledge of Allegiance

MEMBERS ROLL CALL: Present...Don Balbaugh, Steve Barnum, Scott Anton, Chris Suchner, Tom Wybranowski, Rick Navarre, Brent Canup

AUDIENCE: Adam Royse

Approval of the September 2025 minutes...Motion to approve Don Balbaugh, 2nd by Brent Canup...All present voted Aye

REPORT BY BRENT SHARPE: No report

HARBOR MASTER REPORT: Tom Lower: A question was asked, “why don’t we just add more slips to the south pier?” Answer was more slips put there would interfere with Plaunt docking as well as transients.

It was suggested to install 2 each 40’ slips near where Canup and Suchner are now. Plaunts would still be able to get around them.

The flag pole lights partially failed. Suggested to purchase 2 domes to keep the insects off the lights themselves. There was a motion by Brent Canup, 2nd by Steve Barnum and passed asking the Township Board to ask Dianne to order two as the cost could exceed \$1000.

The last 2 bouys need to be taken out at some time. Will be looking for help in moving the finger piers. Suggested that we ask Brandon. The skid pier also has to be pulled out but not too soon as the Mackinac Rescue Boat might still need to use it before it is removed.

Tom Lower attended a Harbor Masters event. He Found out that there should be a 3 -year electrical inspection. Our harbor has a clean Marina designation and because of that we do get extra “points” when applying for grants.

Also discussed was the need to have a 5-year BBIH Master Plan. Will look for the opinion Cliff wrote on this.

We are still looking for how much we pay PIEG for harbor electric which will help in setting boating rates.

There was a motion by Steve Barnum, 2nd by Rick Navarre and passed asking the Twp Board to vote on charging boaters \$10.00 who dock less than a day.

There was a motion by Rick Navarre, 2nd by Brent Canup and passed asking the Township Board to vote on a motion to charge transients the new 2026 rate to column “C”. The DNR deadline to decide is November 1st, 2025

Another motion by Brent Canup, 2nd by Rick Navarre and passed asking the Township Board to vote on using the 2026 rate, column “10” for seasonal slips. It was noted that the seasonal rates are based on the length of the dock (slip), not length of the boat. The DNR deadline to decide is November 1st, 2025.

A motion by Brent Canup, 2nd by Steve Barnum and passed asking the township Board to vote on accepting the bids from Flotation Docking Systems, Inc. for \$85,150.00 for Mobilization to repair/replace Lake Mary Fishing Pier, Thompson Lake Fishing Pier, Main Harbor Skid Pier, North Dock System and the South Dock System per the attached quote.

FINANCE REPORT: Tom Wybranowski: Marina opening fund balance as of 09/01/2025 to 09/30/2025 was \$458,669.23 and the ending balance \$455,685.33. This amount is a combination of Cash on hand of \$385,157.73 and balance in investments.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Weed control was discussed again. Fans or Bubblers utilized would likely help to keep them down a bit. Also, a discussion that our harbor does provide electrical (30, 40, 50 amp) water, restrooms which helps to justify the rates we charge.

Also discussed the e-mail from Brandon of the BBIFD and the need to at least get the skid pier put into the water at Bright Waters Park (BWP). Doing so would greatly help the Mackinac Island Rescue Boat to transport

emergency situations rather than boating all the way to the main dock. Transporting emergencies from a pier at BWP would also help to save BBI some money since we do reimburse Mackinac Island. Chris Suchner will talk with Brandon and see what might be done to speed this up.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 11:28 am: Motion by Brent Canup, 2nd by Don Balbaugh....all present Aye

Respectfully submitted

Tom Wybranowski